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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference 3 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. References 1-2 & 7-11 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
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- ☒ 5. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references 3-7 & 9 are attached hereto.

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6. A computer-generated English language translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 3-6.

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